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Alexis J. Bustos (Special Needs Trust)

Haden, Robert T. (for Mark E. Olson – Successor Trustee/Petitioner)

(1) First Account and Report of Successor Trustee and (2) Petition for Allowance of Trustee Fees and Attorney Fees

		MARK E. OLSON, successor Trustee	NEEDS/PROBLEMS/COMMENTS:
Age: 16 years		(Private Professional Fiduciary), is Petitioner.	CONTINUED FROM 02/27/13 Minute Order from 02/27/13 states: Ms. Haden is
		Account period: 07/31/10 - 07/31/12	appearing via conference call. Ms. Haden requests a continuance.
	nt. from 013013,	Accounting - \$463,686.15 Beginning POH - \$299,055.65 Ending POH - \$324,340.49	As of 03/21/13, nothing further has been filed in this matter and the following comments remain: 1. Property on hand shows that the trust owns a 2008 Ford Econoline E-250 Van. Automobile
	Aff.Sub.Wit.		Expense shows varying monthly charges from
√	Verified	Trustee - \$8,911.00 (\$7,799.00	11/11 – 05/12 for a total of \$16,830.60 for "Van
	Inventory	has already been paid per Court order allowing compensation at	Rental". It is unclear why the trust rented a van
	PTC	\$350.00/month. Trustee requests	when it owned a van. The Court may require more information.
	Not.Cred.	approval for the remaining unpaid	Schedule C-2 shows a disbursement to Sawyer
✓	Notice of Hrg	portion of \$511.00)	Air Conditioning for \$10,900.00 for a HEPA unit for
✓	Aff.Mail w	Attorney - \$5,112.86 (per	the house, however this item is not shown as an
	Aff.Pub.	itemization and declaration for total	asset of the Trust on the Property on Hand
	Sp.Ntc.	fees in the amount of \$4,962.50	schedule. The Court may require more information regarding this item.
	Pers.Serv.	consisting of 18.9 hours broken down	Petitioner is requesting total compensation of
	Conf. Screen	at .50 hr. @ \$175.00/hr., 7.30 hr. @	\$8,911.00 for the accounting period based on
	Letters	\$200.00/hr., 9.40 hr. @ \$300.00/hr., and	the Court's previous order authorizing
	Duties/Supp		
	Objections	photocopies and faxes)	
	Video		9 :
	Receipt		the accounting reflects disbursements to Mark
	CI Report		Olson in varying amounts rather than even
	9202	•	
✓	Order	approving all of the acts and	l ·
			expenses, mariachi, 15 th birthday party, clothing,
			outings, etc. The Court may require more
		trustee, in the total amount of	, ,
		\$8,911.00 for the period	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
			are considered by the Court as part of the cost
		· ·	of doing business pursuant to Local Rule 7.17B.
	Aff. Posting	4. Authorizing and directing	Reviewed by: JF
	Status Rpt	trustee to pay Robert T. Haden	Reviewed on: 03/21/13
<u></u>	UCCJEA		Updates:
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	FTB Notice		File 1 - Bustos
		11/20/12.	
✓ ·	Duties/Supp Objections Video Receipt CI Report 9202 Order Aff. Posting Status Rpt	 1.70 hr. @ \$350.00/hr. plus costs in the amount of \$150.36 for postage, photocopies and faxes) Petitioner prays for an Order: Settling and allowing the first account as filed; Ratifying, confirming, and approving all of the acts and transactions of Petitioner as trustee; Allowing reasonable compensation to Petitioner for ordinary services rendered as trustee, in the total amount of \$8,911.00 for the period 07/31/10 – 07/31/12, of which \$511.00 remains unpaid to Petitioner; and Authorizing and directing trustee to pay Robert T. Haden Professional Corporation, the sum of \$5,112.86 from the trust estate as fees for services rendered from 09/01/10 – 	\$350/month to the Trustee. Based on the \$350/month the compensation to the Trustee for the 24 month accounting period would be \$8,400.00 not \$8,911.00. Further Schedule C-3 of the accounting reflects disbursements to Mark Olson in varying amounts rather than even monthly payments of \$350.00. The Court may require more information. 4. Schedule C-5 reflects reimbursements to Rafael Bustos for various amounts for mileage, vacation expenses, mariachi, 15th birthday party, clothing, outings, etc. The Court may require more information regarding these reimbursements. 5. Attorney's request for fees and costs includes costs in the amount of \$150.36 for postage, photocopies and faxes; however, these costs are considered by the Court as part of the cost of doing business pursuant to Local Rule 7.17B. Reviewed by: JF Reviewed on: 03/21/13

Petition for Commissions and Fees for the Public Guardian

DOD: 12-4-11		PUBLIC GUARDIAN, Conservator	of the NEEDS/PROBLEMS/COMMENTS:
		Estate, is Petitioner.	
		Petitioner states the final accour	
		heard 5-16-12. An objection was	
	A 65 G 1 A 65	the Order After Mandatory Settle	ement
	Aff.Sub.Wit.	Conference was filed 8-16-12.	
~	Verified	After the order was filed, there w	voc ctill
	Inventory	personal and real property to di	
	PTC	Unfortunately, it took significant t	
	Not.Cred.	Public Guardian to get the prop	,
~	Notice of	distributed. Therefore, this petitio	
	Hrg	incurred since the end of the las	
>	Aff.Mail	period. Pursuant to the attached	
	Aff.Pub.	declaration, Petitioner requests	
	Sp.Ntc.	compensation for 44.05 Deputy	
	Pers.Serv.	\$96/hr and 2 Staff hours @ \$76/h of \$4,380.00.	Tor a total
	Conf.	01 34,360.00.	
	Screen	Petitioner states Public Guardiar	was
	Letters	assisted by County Counsel, but	
	Duties/Supp	additional compensation is requ	
	Objections	the attorney.	
	Video		
	Receipt	Petitioner anticipates an objecti	
	CI Report	conservatorship estate paying the additional fees. Therefore, Petitic	
	9202	seeks the Court's instruction as to	
_	Order	of payment.	of the source
	Aff. Posting		Reviewed by: skc
	Status Rpt	Petitioner prays for an order as fo	Reviewed by. SRC Reviewed on: 3-21-13
	UCCJEA	1. The Court approve \$4,38	I REVIEWED OIL DEVIEWS
	Citation	reasonable compensation	Pocommondation:
	FTB Notice	Fresno County Public Gu	ardian's File 3 - Foin
	I ID MONCE	services;	
		2. The Court instruct Petition	
		what amount, if any, to p the conservatorship esta	
		approved fees; and	
		3. Other relief be granted t	nat the
		Court considers proper.	
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Kruthers, Heather H. (for Public Administrator/Petitioner)

(1) First and Final Account and Report of Administrator and (2) Petition for Allowance of Ordinary and Extraordinary Commissions and Fees and (3) for Distribution [Prob. C. 9202; 10800; 10810; 10951; 11600; 11850(a)]

Гро	D: 07/23/09	PUBLIC ADMINISTRATOR, Administrator, is Petitioner.		NEEDS/PROBLEMS/COMMENTS:	
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		Account period: 10/	10/07 – 10	U/ IU/ IZ	CONTINUED FROM 01/23/13
		Accounting	-	\$2,662,040.72	Minute order from 01/23/13 states: Ms. Kruthers requests a
Co	nt. from 012313	Beginning POH - Ending POH	\$2,391 -	,992.13 \$109,170.64	continuance to respond to the
	Aff.Sub.Wit.	G		•	objections. The Court is informed
✓	Verified	Administrator	-	\$39,489.54 (statutory)	that there are communication issues. The Court directs Mr.
✓	Inventory		_		Janisse and Mr. Magness to
✓	PTC			urs hours @ \$76/hr. and	contact Ms. Kruthers today to
✓	Not.Cred.			or a total of \$26,867.04 for nued management of	begin communication.
✓	Notice of Hrg w/	decedent's business	and \$386	6.88 per Local Rule for the	As of 03/21/13, nothing further has
	Aff.Mail	sale of real property)			been filed in this matter.
	Aff.Pub.	Attorney	-	\$39,489.54 (statutory)	
	Sp.Ntc.	Attorney x/o	_	\$4,500.00 (per	
-	Pers.Serv.)/hr. for services related to	
-	Conf. Screen	the continuation of c	decedent	t's business, litigation	
-	Letters 01/12/10	regarding decedent		eclaims for support & ettlement negotiations)	
	Duties/Supp Objections		anor 1 11 1 5 c		
	Video Receipt	Bond Fee	-	\$19,965.33 (ok)	
	Cl Report	Costs	-	\$690.00 (for certified	
√	9202	copies and filing fees	s)		
✓	Order	Preliminary Distribution	ons to heir	S:	
	Aff. Posting	Jesus Esther Bise	-	\$1,172,877.80	Reviewed by: JF
	Status Rpt	Ruth Rios	-	\$733,525.38	Reviewed on: 03/21/13
	UCCJEA	Petitioner states that			Updates:
	Citation	(\$109,170.64) is not su costs (\$133,388.33). P		pay all of the fees and	Recommendation:
√	FTB Notice	beneficiaries each p	$ay \frac{1}{2} of th$	ne outstanding fee	File 5 - Bise
		balance (\$22,217.69	total) \$11	,108.84 each.	
		Petitioner prays for a	n Order:		
		 Settling, allov 	ving and	approving the final	
				eedings of Petitioner as irmed and approved;	
		Authorizing th	ne statuto	ory fees to the	
		Administrato		orney; rdinary fees to the	
		Administrato	r and Atto	orney;	
			payment o	of the bond fee and	
		costs; and 5. Directing the	two ben	eficiaries pay the	
		outstanding	balance	of fees.	
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Objection to First and Final Account and Report filed 01/18/13 by Jesus Esther (Sylvia) Bise ("Objector") states:

- 1. <u>Objection 1:</u> Objector objects to the Administrator's request for extraordinary compensation on the grounds that it fails to comply with California Rule of Court 7.7.02. Specifically, the accounting fails to show the nature and difficulty of tasks performed, the results achieved, or the benefit of the services to the Estate. In the accounting, the Administrator states it, "provided many hours of extraordinary services to continue running the decedent's furniture business." The Administrator only calculates the time for the "first few weeks" and provides a "conservative estimate" of the amount of time spent per week thereafter and states the reasonable fee for running the decedent's business is \$26,867.07. Such statement fails to comply with Rule 7.702 and no extraordinary compensation can be awarded.
- 2. **Objection 2:** Objector objects to the Administrator's request for extraordinary compensation on the grounds that the Administrator improperly handled Decedent's business, Bise Furniture, and caused loss to the estate. Extraordinary compensation may be awarded to the personal representative for carrying on the decedent's business if necessary to preserve the estate or under court order. Cal Rule of Court 7.703(b)(2); See Estate of King (1942) 19 C2d 354, 358. Determining the value of these services is within the power of the probate court. The burden of proof for the need for extraordinary expenses and their extent is on the attorney and the personal representative, even when no objections are filed. Estate of Fulcher (1965) 234 Cal.App.2d 710; Estate of Gopcevic (1964) 228 Cal.App.2d 280. Objector states that there is no will and no court order for the Administrator to carry on the Decedent's business. Further, running the Decedent's business was not necessary to preserve the Estate. The Administrator took control of the Corporation and marshaled its assets. In doing so, it treated all of the Corporation assets as if they were Decedent's individual assets. This was improper. The only Corporation assets that should have come into the estate were Decedent's shares in the Corporation. Dividends, if any, paid by the Corporation during the course of Estate administration would have been added to the Estate. No such dividends were paid during the course of Estate administration. The Administrator comingled the estate assets with the Corporation assets. This has resulted in loss to the Estate in that it has created excessive administrative costs in the form of compensation and accounting fees and enabled the Administrator to improperly pay for other Estate expenses out of Corporation assets. The appropriate management of a closely held corporation upon the death of a shareholder requires the corporation to call a special meeting and vote to fill the vacancy caused by decedent's death. The personal representative would vote on behalf of decedent's shares and could vote for themselves to fill the vacancy if they are qualified to run the business. In this situation, the business assets would not become part of the estate; rather the shares would be inventoried and any dividends would be added to the estate. When the personal representative lacks the expertise to run the corporation, the personal representative would be under a duty to vote to appoint someone qualified to fill such vacancy. In this case, no special meeting was held and rather than having a vote to appoint someone, the Administrator unilaterally stepped in, without a court order or direction in a will and attempted to run the corporation. Unfortunately for the estate, the administrator was ill equipped to do so. While the Administrator was in charge of the corporation, the business accounting was entirely mismanaged. After the corporation was distributed to objector, she hired James Braun as an accountant for the Corporation. Mr. Braun estimates that it would cost approximately \$30,000.00 in forensic accounting fees to unwind the activity that occurred while the Administrator ran the business. While it was necessary for the corporation to do business to preserve the estate assets, it was not necessary or appropriate for the Administrator to do so given the fact that it was not competent to take such action. Administrator should not be compensated for its work associated with the corporation when it was not necessary for the administrator to perform services to preserve the estate and ultimately caused harm to the estate.

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- 3. Objection 3: Objector objects to the approval of the accounting on grounds that the Administrator employed an accountant to perform services that would normally be the Administrator's responsibility as the Administrator did not seek a corresponding reduction in compensation. Ordinary services by a representative include the preparation of the fiduciary accounting. If the representative chooses to employ an agent to perform services that are attributable to carrying out the representative's ordinary duties, the fees for those services will be charged against the representative's ordinary compensation. Preparing the fiduciary accounting is considered part of the representative's ordinary duties; therefore, if the representative hires an accountant to prepare the accounting, the accountant's fees will be paid from the representative's ordinary compensation. Estate of Billings (1991) 228 Cal. App. 3d 426 (court ordered amounts payable to accounting firm for services normally part of representative's responsibility for ordinary services to be paid by representative from her statutory executrix's fees and reduced her compensation accordingly.) Administrator paid accounting fees in the amount of \$49,396.01. \$39,883.30 of those fees were incurred in connection with the corporation during the time period in which the corporation's accounting records are incomplete and "a mess". It appears the accountant hired by the administrator (Ms. Stevens) was paid for services from February 2011 – June 24, 2011 while failing to perform any accounting services during this time frame. Administrator's compensation should be reduced by the full amount Ms. Stevens was paid in connection with the corporation. Administrator paid Ms. Stevens \$9,485.71 to prepare the estate accounting. Therefore, Administrator's compensation should be further reduced by that amount. The total fees paid to Ms. Stevens is excessive and the administrator should not be awarded compensation where he appointed an agent to perform services and such services were performed poorly at great expense and at areat cost to the estate.
- 4. Objection 4: Objector objects to the approval of the Accounting on the grounds that the Administrator fails to provide sufficient information to comply with Probate Code § 1062, which provides that the summary account shall be supported by detailed schedules showing receipts, which show the nature or purpose of each item, the source of the receipt, and the date thereof. The administrator has provided woefully insufficient information. Specifically, the administrator provides for corporation sales from 10/16/09 03/15/12 in a single line item which accounts for \$126,955.98. This entry is little more than a "fill" number. Administrator is required to show all receipts individually. This is particularly egregious since the administrator paid an accountant almost \$40,000.00 to track this information so it could be reported on the accounting. This entry is particularly concerning because it occurs during the time period Objector asserts employee embezzlement was occurring. As such, the accounting cannot be approved without providing further information.
- 5. Objection 5: Objector objects to the approval of the accounting on grounds that the administrator fails to provide sufficient information to comply with Probate Code § 1062 in that the administrator provides receipts for various income from 10/16/09 03/15/12 which account for \$5,574.41. This entry is little more than a "fill" number. Administrator is required to show all receipts individually. As such, the accounting cannot be approved.
- 6. Objection 6: Objector objects to the approval of accounting on grounds that the administrator allocates disbursements for rental property as a disbursement attributable to the corporation. Objector alleges that all of the disbursements on Schedule D described as "Repairs and Maintenance" associated with the corporation are actually expenses associated with the rental properties owned by the estate and not used by the corporation. The administrator also commingled corporate and rental transaction and activities in the bank account. Therefore, they are miscategorized. Objector requests that the court require the administrator account for each and every entry and confirm what the expenses were used for. This miscategorization is of particular concern because the corporation was distributed to the objector and real properties were distributed to the other beneficiary, Ruth Rios.

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- 7. Objection 7: Objector objects to the approval of the accounting on grounds that the administrator has failed to file any fiduciary tax returns. Objector's accounting, Mr. Braun has made repeated requests to see the estates fiduciary tax return. All such requests have been ignored. Objector believes that Ms. Stevens never filed such returns because she never prepared them. Paragraph 9 of the accounting, which is verified by the administrator, states that all California and Federal taxes have been paid. Until proof that the estate has filed is 1041 for each year required, the accounting cannot be approved.
- 8. Request for Surcharge for Breach of Fiduciary Duty. The objections to an account may raise claims of breach of the personal representative's duties, and the objector may seek appropriate redress. (Probate Code § 11001.) The personal representative has a duty to use ordinary care and diligence in controlling, managing, protecting, and preserving the assets and collecting rents, issues, and profits. (Probate Code §§ 9600, 9560.) The Administrator breached its duty of care. An ordinary person does not run a business with such incompetence and significant funds can be lost to embezzlement without noticing and taking corrective actions. This did not preserve or protect the assets of the estate. Further, the records maintained by the administrator make it impossible for the corporation to determine its income and loss because it is not possible to determine the costs of goods sold or the basis in its remaining assets. The estate is entitled to the value of the loss, with interest, resulting from the administrator's breach (Probate Code § 9601). The probate court has broad authority to fashion an appropriate remedy for a breach of duty. Monetary liability arising from a fiduciary's breach of duty may be charged against the fiduciary's compensation (Probate Code § 12205). Objector requests that the fiduciary's statutory compensation be reduced to zero and the administrator be surcharged in amount to be determined at an evidentiary hearing for its breach of its fiduciary duty in the management of the corporation.
- 9. Request for cost and attorney's fees under common fund doctrine. When a benefit has been conferred on an estate by the creation or protection of a common fund, it is possible to seek reimbursement from that fund. Estate of Stauffer (1959) 53 Cal.2d 124,132. If objectors objections are granted, the estate will be preserved by preventing unwarranted extraordinary compensation to be paid, the Administrator's statutory compensation will be reduced by the amount paid to the administrator's accountants, and the statutory compensation will be surcharged for Administrator's breach of duty of care. This will protect the estate and create a common fund. Objector should be entitled to reimbursement from such fund.

Objector requests that:

- 1. The Administrator's request for extraordinary compensation be denied on grounds it did not comply with Rule of Court 7.702;
- 2. The Administrator's request for \$26,867.04 in extraordinary compensation for running the corporation be denied;
- 3. The Administrator's statutory compensation be reduced by \$49,396.00, which is the amount paid to the accountants to perform the Administrator's normal duties;
- 4. The Administrator's Accounting be denied for failure to provide sufficient information on Schedule A;
- 5. The Administrator's accounting be denied for improperly categorizing disbursements for rental properties as corporation disbursements;
- 6. The Administrator's account be denied for failing to file the required state and federal tax returns;
- 7. That the Administrator be surcharged for breaching its duty of care in an amount to be determined at trail; and
- 8. Objector recover costs and attorney fees (based on the common fund doctrine) from the estate.

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Declaration of James P. Braun, CPA/ABV/CFF filed 01/18/13 states:

- 1. He was hired by Sylvia Bise on 06/24/11 to provide accounting services for Bise Furniture (the "Corporation"). He has been working to file delinquent corporate tax returns for the Corporation. Mr. Braun states that he has been unable to complete the tax filings because he cannot determine the corporate tax basis in its inventory or the cost of goods sold which is a starting point for equity. This is the result of poor bookkeeping by the Corporation's previous accountant, Theresa Stevens, CPA and by the estate administrator, the Public Administrator, who was ultimately responsible for the Corporation.
- 2. It took many months and multiple requests to obtain the source documents from Ms. Stevens. To date, Mr. Braun states that he still has not received all of the documents requested including the analysis of the shareholder loan account for the Corporation which appears to have been misused.
- 3. Upon reviewing the source documents which were provided, Mr. Braun states that he is lacking documents in the following areas: inventory, cash, and fiduciary tax filings.
- 4. The inventory records received contain only a hand written list of inventory at the end of the fiscal years. In addition, no purchase journals were received.
- 5. In the area of cash, the payments received by the Corporation in cash appear to have been placed in the store cash drawer. Mr. Brauns states that he was not provided with the majority of the petty cash logs showing the dates the cash was received and expenses paid from the till. Also, according to daily cash logs, rental income payments were recorded even though the business does not own any rental property.
- 6. The corporation's financial transactions were managed through the Public Administrator's account. In this account, there are a number of rental transactions commingled with the store operations transactions even though the Corporation owns no rental property.
- 7. Mr. Braun has not undertaken a forensic accounting to determine whether money was embezzled from the Corporation. However, he is informed that the corporate employees believe that embezzlement occurred. Based on the information he has seen and in his experience in conducting forensic accountings, he estimates such work to cost approximately \$30,000.00.
- 8. Ms. Stevens was paid for accounting services through the date of her termination on June 24, 2011. The books received from Ms. Stevens had not been updated since February 2011. In addition, Ms. Stevens turned over a large pile of original records that she had never dealt with prior to her termination. It appears Ms. Stevens was paid by the Administrator for services she never performed.
- 9. Ms. Stevens also ran the rental activity through the Corporation on tax returns. She did this through misusing the shareholder loan account. The misuse of the shareholder loan account begins immediately upon Ms. Stevens being retained by the Administrator.
- 10. Mr. Braun is aware of no fiduciary tax returns being filed during the course of the administration. He has repeatedly requested copies of such returns, and Ms. Stevens will not provide them. Thus he believes they were never filed.
- 11. IRS Form 1041 needs to be prepared and filed for the time period Ms. Stevens was the estate's accountant. Mr. Braun does not believe Ms. Stevens ever elected a tax year for the estate. Because Ms. Stevens has provided no 1041, it is believed that no such filings have ever been made by the estate.

Hudson Testamentary Trust dated 11-17-86

Case No. 11CEPR00118

Atty Durost, Linda K. (for Philip and Debra Hudson – Former Successor Co-Trustees)

Atty Kruthers, Heather H. (for Public Guardian – Current Trustee)

Former Successor Co-Trustees Philip and Debra Hudson's Amended and Final Account for Accounting Period of 10/19/2004-4/5/2011

Marjorie C. Hudson PHILIP and DEBRA HUDSON, Former Successor Co-**NEEDS/PROBLEMS/COMMENTS:** Resigned: 10-19-04 Trustees of the **HUDSON TESTATMENTARY TRUST** DOD: 7-27-12 Continued from 1-2-13 dated November 17, 1986 created by MARJORIE C. **HUDSON** (deceased) on 11-17-85, are Petitioners. Minute Order 1-2-13: Ms. Durost informs the Court that her clients have **History:** In the Preliminary and Partial Account heard found a substantial amount of 11-15-12, Petitioners stated due to the voluminous receipts. Matter continued to 4/3/13. Cont. from 010213 number of bank accounts utilized during the The Court directs the Public Guardian Aff.Sub.Wit. accounting period and the related bank to provide the Court at the next statements which had to be subpoended, hearing some input regarding the Verified collected and line-item reviewed and entry by an subsequent accountings and the Inventory accounting assistant, the length of time that potential for surcharge. Ms. Durost is PTC directed to maintain contact with the Petitioners acted as Successor Co-Trustees, and the Public Guardian. Not.Cred. very lengthy amount of time which has passed since Notice of Hrg Petitioners acted as Co-Trustees, Petitioners As of 3-21-13, nothing further has been respectfully request that they be allowed to filed by Petitioner. Aff.Mail augment this preliminary accounting and prepare Aff.Pub. Examiner's Note: It is unclear if the an even more detailed accounting for the Court's "new receipts" mentioned in the Sp.Ntc. review and approval. minute order are for this account Pers.Serv. period, which would necessitate The Trust nominated Philip Hudson and his wife Conf. Screen amendment. The Court may require Debra Hudson (Petitioners) as Successor Co-Trustees Letters clarification. should Marjorie C. Hudson die or become unable to **Duties/Supp** Note: On 3-5-13, the Public Guardian act. Mariorie C. Hudson resigned her position as **Objections** filed a First and Final Account that is set Trustee on 10-19-04, appointing Petitioners as Video for hearing on 4-24-13. Successor Co-Trustees. Receipt 1. Petitioners request compensation On 12-7-09, Palm Village Retirement Community CI Report for their services as co-trustees at filed a Petition on Marjorie C. Hudson's behalf 9202 1% of the total assets for each year seeking to have the FRESNO COUNTY PUBLIC served. The Court may require Order **GUARDIAN** appointed as her conservator. The clarification with reference to Cal. Public Guardian was appointed as Conservator of Rules of Court 7.776 (factors for her person and estate on 2-9-10; however, consideration). Petitioners remained as Successor Co-Trustees of the **Update: Declarations filed 3-20-13** Trust. by Petitioners waive compensation. Aff. Posting Reviewed by: skc On 4-5-11, pursuant to a petition by the Public Guardian, Petitioners were removed as Successor **Reviewed on:** 3-21-13 Status Rpt Co-Trustees and the Public Guardian was **UCCJEA Updates:** appointed Successor Trustee. Citation Recommendation: FTB Notice File 6 - Hudson Amended and Final Account period: 10-19-04 through 4-5-11 \$1,005,034,19 Accountina: Beginning POH: \$492,023.80 Ending POH: \$135,099.98 (residence and household furniture and furnishings only) **SEE ADDITIONAL PAGES**

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Beginning POH consisted of the residence in Reedley and furniture and furnishings, plus \$356,923.80 in cash and mutual funds.

Receipts total \$513,010.39 and include capital gains, various deposits, dividends, interest, long-term gains, and Social Security income.

Disbursements total \$861,542.07 and are categorized by Petitioners as:

- Accountant Fees (Total \$2,655.00)
- Advance Phil & Debra (Total \$372,308.11)
- Attorney Fees (Total \$95.99)
- Bank Service Charges (Total \$14,034.83, less refund of \$683.65)
- Cable/Internet (Total \$4,322.31)
- Care Home (Total \$159,663.22)
- Caregiver Expense (Total \$88,400.02)
- Clothing (Total \$15,181.53)
- Doctors (Total \$7,585.00)
- Donations (Total \$40.00)
- Fuel (Total \$1,115.07)
- Furniture and Appliances (Total \$7,249.39)
- Groceries (Total \$10,822.11)
- Health Insurance Supplement (Total \$10,091.65)
- House Remodel/Repairs (Total \$69,391.65)
- Household Supplies (Total \$3,056.75)
- Insurance Expense (Total \$7,001.57)
- Misc Expenses (Total \$4,687.56)
- Opening Balance Equity Total (\$56.33)
- Payroll Tax Expense (Total \$20,230.26)
- Préscriptions (Total 8,686.69)
- Restaurant (Total \$210.11)
- Safe Deposit Box (Total \$90.00)
- Subscriptions (Total \$118.40)
- Taxes (Total \$32,187.51)
- Utilities (Total \$21,282.16)
- Yard Care (Total \$1,662.50)
- Total: \$861,542.07

Petitioners allege and believe that just and reasonable compensation for their services would be 1% of the total assets for each year they served as Co-Trustees, and request compensation of \$18,572.95. Petitioners request that advances be offset against compensation.

<u>Update</u>: Declarations filed 3-20-13 by Debra Hudson and Philip Hudson waive compensation.

Petitioners pray that:

- 1. Notice of hearing of this account has been given as required by law;
- 2. The Court make an order approving, allowing and settling this Amended Final Account;
- 3. Petitioners be given an offset against any advances they are adjudged to have received in the amount of \$18,572.95, which is the amount of compensation they would receive as the acting Successor Co-Trustees for the time period of the account;
- 4. That any distribution Mr. Hudson is entitled to as a beneficiary be credited as an advance for any funds Petitioners are adjudged to have used for their personal expenses for the time period of the account; and
- 5. Such other further relief be granted as the Court considers proper.

Fields, Larry L. (for Donald Toppin – Executor/Petitioner)

(1) First and Final Account and Report of Executor and (2) Petition for Its Settlement, (3) Allowance of Compensation for Ordinary and Extraordinary Services, and (4) Final Distribution

DOD: 05/26/11			DONALD TOPPIN, Executor, is Petitioner.	NEEDS/PROBLEMS/COMMENTS:
			,	
			Account period: 05/26/11 - 01/31/13	The costs reimbursement requests includes charges for copies, postage and fuel/mileage.
Con	t. from		Accounting - \$347,068.45	Pursuant to Local Rule 7.17B, these
	Aff.Sub.Wit.		Beginning POH - \$342,433.90 Ending POH - \$200,303.16	expenses are considered by the
√	Verified		Ending POH - \$200,303.16 (\$197,803.16 is cash)	court to be part of the cost of doing
√	Inventory		(\$177,000.10 is Casi i)	business and are not reimbursable costs.
√	PTC		Executor - waives	COSIS.
√	Not.Cred.			2. Need Order. Note: Pursuant to
✓	Notice of Hrg		Attorney - \$8,121.46 (less	Local Rule 7.6.1 A - All orders or
√	Aff.Mail	w/	than statutory)	decrees in probate matters must be
	Aff.Pub.		^	complete in themselves. Orders shall set forth all matters ruled on by
	Sp.Ntc.		Costs - \$213.57 (for	the court, the relief granted, and the
	Pers.Serv.		copying charges, postage, and fuel charges)	names of persons, descriptions of
	Conf. Screen		Distribution, pursuant to decedent's will, is to:	property and/or amounts of money
	Letters 09/26	/11	Distribution, possedim to decederin 5 Will, 15 to.	affected with the same particularity required of judgments in general
	Duties/Supp		Donald Paul Toppin - 100% of residue of	civil matters. Monetary distributions
	Objections		the estate	must be stated in dollars, and not as
	Video			<u>a percentage of the estate.</u>
	Receipt		Sayoko Nakayama - 100% interest in	
	CI Report		various jewelry items*	
✓	9202		*D-##	
		Х	*Petitioner states that Sayoko Nakayama's whereabouts are unknown, no response has	
	Aff. Posting		been received from correspondence sent to	Reviewed by: JF
	Status Rpt		her last known address in Japan. Petitioner	Reviewed on: 03/22/13
	UCCJEA Citation		proposes to purchase the various jewelry items	Updates: Recommendation:
✓	FTB Notice		for the appraised value of \$2,500.00 and	File 7 - Toppin
	TIDITORCE		deposit the funds with the Fresno County	тие 7 - торрит
			Treasurer. If Sayoko Nakayama does not claim	
			the \$2,500.00 within 5 years, Ms. Nakayama will	
			be considered to have predeceased the	
			decedent and the \$2,500.00 would then be	
			distributed to Petitioner.	

Kruthers, Heather H. (for Public Administrator – Administrator with Will Annexed – Petitioner)

Amended Final Account and Report of Successor Administrator and Petition for

Allowance of Ordinary Commissions and for Distribution

DOD: 10-10-11			PUBLIC ADMINISTRATOR, Administrator	NEEDS/PROBLEMS/COMMENTS:	
			with Will Annexed, is Petitioner.	Note: No Inventory and Appraisal was	
			Account period: 3-26-12 through 1-9-13	filed, as the estate was originally thought	
			Accounting: \$8,710.06	to be insolvent.	
	Aff.Sub.Wit.	l	Beginning POH: \$ 0.00	Petitioner does not state whether	
	Verified		Ending POH: \$8,693.70 (cash)	notice was given pursuant to Probate	
	Inventory	Х	Public Administrator (Statutory): \$348.41	Code §9202 to the CA Dept. of Health	
	PTC	Х	Attorney (Statutory): \$348.41	Care Services or Franchise Tax Board. Notice and Continuance may be	
_	Not.Cred.		(\$174.20 to County Counsel and \$174.21	necessary.	
~	Notice of Hrg		to Attorney David Camenson)	·	
~	Aff.Mail	W	Costs: \$750.00 (to Attorney David	Petitioner requests to pay Attorney Camenson \$750 for reimbursable	
	Aff.Pub.		Camenson for reimbursement of	costs; however, pursuant to the	
	Sp.Ntc.		Costs: \$435 (filing fee for this petition)	creditor's claim, the reimbursable costs	
	Pers.Serv.		Petitioner originally filed a Report of	total \$725 (\$395 filing fee plus \$330	
	Conf. Screen		Administrator of Insolvent Estate and	publication). The Court may require revised order.	
_	Letters	8-24-12	Request for Final Discharge on 5-30-12		
	Duties/Supp		reporting that there were no assets in the		
	Objections Video Receipt		estate. However, beneficiaries later		
	Cl Report		provided information that garnered		
	9202	Х	\$8,710.06 for the estate; therefore, final account is now required.		
_	Order		·		
	Aff. Posting		Petitioner states Attorney David Camenson filed a creditor's claim for	Reviewed by: skc	
	Status Rpt		\$1,505.00 from his representation of the	Reviewed on: 3-22-13	
	UCCJEA	1	original petitioner in this matter, including	Updates:	
	Citation		\$750 in reimbursable costs. Petitioner	Recommendation:	
	FTB Notice	Х	proposes to split the statutory	File 8 - Jimenez	
			compensation with Attorney Camenson		
			and pay \$750.00 for his costs.		
			Distribution pursuant to will:		
			Conrad Jimenez: \$2,276.07		
			Raymond E. Sandoval: \$2,276.07		
			David L. Jimenez: \$2,276.07		

Dowling, Michael P. (for Ronald Silva – Trustee/Petitioner)

Petition for Order Appointing Trustee and Approving Trustee and Approving Trustee's Proposed Action

DOD: 05/25/11		RONALD SILVA, successor trustee, is Petitioner.	NEEDS/PROBLEMS/COMMENTS:
		Petitioner states:	
		He is the duly appointed and acting successor	
Cont. from		trustee of THE DONNA I. SILVA REVOCABLE	
Aff.Sub.Wit.		FAMILY TRUST, dated 07/30/92, as amended (the "Trust") and is also a beneficiary of the Trust.	
✓ Verified		 Petitioner seeks the appointment of a trustee for 	
Inventory		the sub-trust established under the Trust for the	
PTC		benefit of Donna Bunce ("Donna"). The Trust	
Not.Cred.		calls for distributions to Petitioner and his brother,	
✓ Notice of Hrg		Craig Silva, outright and Donna's share is be held	
✓ Aff.Mail	w/	in trust until she reaches age 70 with 1/3 of the	
Aff.Pub.		principal and accumulated income being	
Sp.Ntc.		distributed to her at age 60; 1/3 at age 65 and	
Pers.Serv.		the remaining 1/3 at age 70. Donna is currently 57 years old.	
Conf. Screen		 The Trust nominates Craig Silva to act as trustee 	
Letters		of Donna's sub-trust and nominates the	
Duties/Supp		Petitioner if Craig Silva is unable or unwilling to	
Objections		serve as trustee.	
Video Receipt		4. Neither Craig or Petitioner are willing to serve as	
CI Report		trustee of Donna's sub-trust and have signed	
9202		declinations.	
✓ Order		5. Albert Sheakalee, a long-time family friend, has	
Aff. Posting		agreed to serve as trustee of the Donna Silva	Reviewed by: JF
Status Rpt		Bunce Trust and has signed an acceptance of nomination to serve as trustee. Petitioner	Reviewed on: 03/22/13
UCCJEA		requests that Albert Sheakalee be appointed	Updates:
Citation		trustee of the Donna Silva Bunce Trust.	Recommendation:
FTB Notice		6. On or about 07/20/12, Petitioner served a Notice	File 9 – Silva
		of Proposed Action to the beneficiaries of the	
		Trust that he intended to enter into a listing	
		agreement for the sale of the Trust's residential	
		real property. Donna currently resides in the	
		residence and has done so during the	
		administration of the Trust. Continued on Page 2	
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7. On 08/31/12, Petitioner's counsel received a written, non-specific objection from Donna to the proposed sale. Since then, no action has been taken by Petitioner in regards to selling the property. Petitioner states that none of the beneficiaries have an interest in co-owning the property and Donna has not advised whether or when she will vacate the property or whether she would like to take the residence as part of a non-prorata distribution of assets to the beneficiaries. Donna is not currently represented by counsel.

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- 8. The residence was appraised by Steven Diebert at \$115,000.00 at date of death.
- 9. Petitioner now seeks to take action as proposed in his notice of 07/20/12, pursuant to Probate Code § 16503(c). The proposed sale of the residence and distribution of proceeds represents one of the last matters to be handled in this administration. Unfortunately, Donna will not make a decision other than to object to the proposed listing agreement without offering an alternative plan of action or reasonable justification for her objection.
- 10. Petitioner believes that now is the time to market and sell the residence with springtime approaching. Additionally, the residence presents a potential liability to the Trust, not to mention maintenance and upkeep costs. There is no reason why the residence should not be exposed to the housing market for purposes of a potential sale.

Petitioner prays for an Order:

- 1. Appointing Albert Sheakalee as trustee of the Donna Silva Bunce Trust; and
- 2. Approving Petitioner's proposed action of listing the Trust's residence for sale.

Atty Helon, Marvin T

Petition for Approval and Confirmation of Sale and Instructions (Prob. C. 16503(c) and 17200)

	una 17200)	
Age:		NEEDS/PROBLEMS/COMMENTS:
DOD:		
		CONTINUED TO 4-10-13
		Per Attorney Request
Cont. from		
Aff.Sub.Wit.		
Verified		
Inventory		
PTC		
Not.Cred.		
Notice of	7	
Hrg		
Aff.Mail		
Aff.Pub.		
Sp.Ntc.		
Pers.Serv.		
Conf.		
Screen		
Letters		
Duties/Supp		
Objections		
Video		
Receipt	_	
CI Report	_	
9202	_	
Order	_	
Aff. Posting	_	Reviewed by: skc
Status Rpt	-	Reviewed on: 3-21-13
UCCJEA	_	Updates:
Citation	-	Recommendation:
FTB Notice		File 10 - Rendion

Moore, Susan L. (for Chen Liang – Petitioner)

Petition for Letters of Administration; Authorization to Administer Under IAEA (Prob. C. 8002, 10450)

DOD: 01/20/2013		CHEN LIANG, petitioner requests	NEEDS/PROBLEMS/COMMENTS:
		appointment as Administrator without	
		bond.	Petitioner, Chen Liang, does not provide her relationship to the
		Sole heir waives bond and nominates the	provide her relationship to the decedent.
Со	nt. from	petitioner to administer the estate.	decederii.
	Aff.Sub.Wit.		2. Petitioner, Chen Liang, is not listed on
✓	Verified	Full IAEA – o.k.	#8 of the petition.
	Inventory		3. #8 of the petition does not state the
	PTC	Decedent died intestate	relationship between the decedent
	Not.Cred.		and Wang Shu Zhen.
✓	Notice of	Residence: Fresno	4. Need name and date of death of
	Hrg	Publication: The Business Journal	other parent pursuant to Local Rule
✓	Aff.Mail w/		7.1.1D (assuming Wang Shu Zhen is
✓	Aff.Pub.	Estimated value of the Estate:	one of the parents of the decedent).
	Sp.Ntc.	Personal property - \$15,000.00	Note: If the petition is granted status
	Pers.Serv.	Real property - \$100,000.00	hearings will be set as follows:
	Conf.	Total: - \$115,000.00	
	Screen		• Friday, 09/06/2013 at 9:00a.m.
✓	Letters		in Dept. 303 for the filing of the
√	Duties/Supp	Probate Referee: Rick Smith	inventory and appraisal <u>and</u>
	Objections	=	• Friday, 06/06/2014 at 9:00a.m.
	Video	=	in Dept. 303 for the filing of the first
	Receipt		account and final distribution.
	CI Report		
	9202		Pursuant to Local Rule 7.5 if the required
√	Order		documents are filed 10 days prior to the
			hearings on the matter the status
			hearing will come off calendar and no
		_	appearance will be required.
_	Aff. Posting	4	Reviewed by: LV
	Status Rpt	4	Reviewed on: 03/21/2013
	UCCJEA	=	Updates:
	Citation ETR Notice	=	Recommendation:
	FTB Notice		File 11 - Liang

Petition for Letters Testamentary; Authorization to Administer Under IAEA (Prob. C. 8002, 10450)

DOD: 6-10-08			CRIS PILEGARD, Son and named sole	NEEDS/PROBLEMS/COMMENTS:
			remaining named co-executor without bond, is Petitioner.	Note: Decedent's Will dated 3-22-07 was admitted to probate on 7-14-09.
			Petitioner states Judgment of Final Distribution was entered 12-15-09; however, Executor	
	Aff.Sub.Wit.		Donald Pilegard died unexpectedly prior to	
~	Verified		completing distribution.	
	Inventory		Petitioner states he believes that all property	
	PTC		has been distributed except for cash in bank	
	Not.Cred.		and brokerage accounts totaling	
>	Notice of Hrg		approximately \$8,000.00, which was being	
>	Aff.Mail	w/o	retained in order to pay any additional	
	Aff.Pub.	n/a	expenses.	
	Sp.Ntc.		The appointment of a successor Executor is	
	Pers.Serv.		necessary to pay the expenses, distribute the	
	Conf. Screen		remaining property, and complete closing of	
>	Letters		the estate.	
>	Duties/Supp			
	Objections			
	Video			
	Receipt			
	CI Report			
	9202			
~	Order			
	Aff. Posting			Reviewed by: skc
	Status Rpt			Reviewed on: 3-22-13
	UCCJEA			Updates:
	Citation			Recommendation: SUBMITTED
	FTB Notice			File 12-Pilegard

Petition for Termination of Guardianship

Ag	Age: 8		CORINA DIAZ, mother, is Petitioner.	NEEDS,	/PROBLEMS/COMMENTS:
Co	nt. from		ROSEMARY CASAREZ , paternal grandmother, was appointed guardian on 02/08/12.		Need Notice of Hearing. Need proof of service by mail at least 15 days before the hearing of Notice of Hearing with a copy of the Petition for Termination of Guardianship or
	Aff.Sub.Wit.		Father: JESUS DIAZ		Consent & Waiver of Notice or
✓ ————————————————————————————————————	Verified Inventory PTC Not.Cred.	X X	Paternal grandfather: GUILLERMO DIAZ Maternal grandfather: ABEL SALINAS Maternal grandmother: RITA SALINAS Petitioner states that guardianship should be terminated because she is the minor's mother and he wants to live with her.		Declaration of Due Diligence for: - Jesus Diaz (father) - Rosemary Casarez (paternal grandmother/Guardian) - Guillermo Diaz (paternal grandfather) - Abel Salinas (maternal grandfather) - Rita Salinas (maternal grandmother)
	Conf. Screen		Court Investigator Jo Ann Morris filed a report on – NEED REPORT.	3.	Need CI report and clearances – CI to provide.
	Letters				· ·
	Duties/Supp Objections				
	Video Receipt				
	CI Report	Χ			
	9202				
✓	Order				
	Aff. Posting			Review	ved by: JF
	Status Rpt			Review	ved on: 03/22/13
	UCCJEA			Update	es:
	Citation			Recon	nmendation:
	FTB Notice			File 13	- Diaz
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Atty Reid, Morris L. (pro per – maternal grandfather/Petitioner)

Atty Reid, Diana Carole (pro per – maternal grandmother/Petitioner)

Petition for Appointment of Guardian of the Person (Prob. C. 1510)

Age: 12		NO TEMPORARY REQUESTED	NEEDS/PROBLEMS/COMMENTS:
	nt. from Aff.Sub.Wit. Verified Inventory PTC Not.Cred. Notice of Hrg Aff.Mail Aff.Pub. Sp.Ntc. Pers.Serv. Conf. Screen Letters Duties/Supp Objections Video Receipt CI Report	MORRIS L. REID and CAROLE DIANE REID, maternal grandparents, are Petitioners. Father: RENE GAONA, JR. – Declaration of Due Diligence filed 01/30/13 Mother: CHERYL REID – deceased Paternal grandfather: RENE GAONA – deceased Paternal grandmother: UNKNOWN – Declaration of Due Diligence filed 01/30/13 Sibling: JONATHAN REID – Consent & Waiver of Notice filed 01/30/13 Petitioners allege that Morgan has always lived with them with her mother's consent. Morgan's mother has passed away. Prior to her passing, she stated that she wanted Morgan to continue to live with them.	 Need Notice of Hearing. Declaration of Due Diligence filed 01/30/13 states that the father, Rene Gaona, Jr.'s whereabouts are unknown. If diligence is not found, need proof of personal service at least 15 days before the hearing of Notice of Hearing with a copy of the Petition or Consent & Waiver of Notice for: Rene Gaona, Jr. (father) Declaration of Due Diligence filed 01/30/13 states that the paternal grandmother is unknown and her whereabouts are unknown. If diligence is not found, need proof of service by mail at least 15 days before the hearing of Notice of Hearing with a copy of the Petition or Consent & Waiver of Notice for: Paternal grandmother Need CI report and Clearances.
✓	Order	unknown. According to his parole officer, he	
	Aff. Posting	has absconded and there is currently a warrant out for his arrest. He has not been a	Reviewed by: JF
√	Status Rpt UCCJEA	part of Morgan's life because her mother,	Reviewed on: 03/22/13 Updates:
Ė	Citation	never allowed him to have contact with her	Recommendation:
	FTB Notice	when she found out about his criminal history. Petitioners state that they will continue to protect Morgan.	File 15 - Gaona
		Court Investigator Jennifer Daniel filed a report on – NEED REPORT.	15